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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 23, 2004, enclosed is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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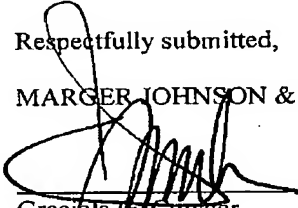
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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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